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Education

2023–2028 **Ph.D. in Linguistics**, University of California, Santa Cruz
Advisor: Roumyana Pancheva

2020–2023 **B.A. in Linguistics**, University of Massachusetts Amherst
Minors in Japanese and Psychology
Magna cum laude, Commonwealth Honors College

Publications

Journal Articles

(submitted) **Knick, Emily**. Future shifting with present marking in Khalkha Mongolian.

Conference Proceedings

(forthcoming) **Knick, Emily**. Proximate futures in English and Turkish. *Proceedings of the 56th Annual Meeting of the North East Linguistic Society*.

(forthcoming) **Knick, Emily*** and Sharf, Eli*. On focus and the perfect aspect. *Proceedings of Sinn und Bedeutung 30*.

2025 **Knick, Emily**. Future reference and covert modality in Khalkha Mongolian. *Proceedings of the Linguistic Society of America*, 10(1), 5936.

Presentations

Talks

(upcoming) **Knick, Emily**. Narrative tense in Khalkha Mongolian. Talk at Semantics of Under-Represented Languages in the Americas 14 / TripleA 13, University of British Columbia.

(upcoming) **Knick, Emily**, Calvo Huerta, Juan Pablo, and Pancheva, Roumyana. The semantics of *already* in Paraguayan Guaraní. Talk at Semantics of Under-Represented Languages in the Americas 14 / TripleA 13, University of British Columbia.

* = Co-first authors.

- 2025 **Knick, Emily.** Proximate futures in English and Turkish: An analogy between spatial and temporal proximity. Talk at North East Linguistics Society 56, New York University, October 17, 2025.
- 2025 **Knick, Emily*** and Sharf, Eli*. On focus and the perfect aspect. Talk at Sinn und Bedeutung 30, Goethe University Frankfurt, September 26, 2025.
- 2025 **Knick, Emily.** Future reference and covert modality in Khalkha Mongolian. Talk at the 99th Linguistic Society of America Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA, January 12, 2025.

Posters

- 2024 Carpick, Ian, **Knick, Emily**, Boye-Lynn, Cal, Bennett, Ryan, and Rysling, Amanda. Learned performance or auditory bias: carryover vs. anticipatory nasal coarticulation. Poster at the Conference on Laboratory Phonology 19, Hanyang University, June 29, 2024.
- 2024 **Knick, Emily** and Rysling, Amanda. Temporal stability and the online assignment of hierarchical prosodic structure. Poster at the California Annual Meeting on Psycholinguistics 6, Stanford University, January 13, 2024.
- 2022 **Knick, Emily.** Prevoicing loss and the [voice] contrast in the production of Tokyo Japanese plosives. Poster at the 28th Massachusetts Undergraduate Research Conference, UMass Amherst, April 22, 2022 (online).

Invited Talks

- 2025 **Knick, Emily.** Proximate futures in English and Turkish: An analogy between spatial and temporal proximity. Invited talk at Meaning Lab, University of Southern California, November 7, 2025.
- 2025 **Knick, Emily*** and Sharf, Eli*. On focus and the perfect aspect. Invited talk at Syntax & Semantics Circle, University of California, Berkeley, September 12, 2025.

Research Positions

- 2024–2025 **Graduate Student Researcher**, NSF Grant BCS-1917619, UC Santa Cruz
 PI: Roumyana Pancheva
 ○ Project: The semantics of aspect in Paraguayan Guaraní
- 2022–2023 **Research Assistant**, Cognitive Science of Language Lab, UMass Amherst
 PI: Brian Dillon
- 2021–2023 **(Co-)Lab Manager**, XLing Laboratories, UMass Amherst
 PIs: Brian Dillon, John Kingston, Shota Momma
- 2020–2023 **Research Assistant**, Phonetics Lab, UMass Amherst
 PI: John Kingston

Teaching

Teaching Assistant at UCSC

- Winter 2026 **Syntax I**
Instructor: Mia Gong
- Fall 2025 **Psycholinguistics I**
Instructor: Adrian Brasoveanu
- Spring 2025 **Invented Languages, From Elvish to Esperanto**
Instructor: Andrew Angeles
- Winter 2025 **Semantics I**
Instructor: Maziar Toosarvandani
- Fall 2024 **Phonetics I**
Instructor: Grant McGuire

Teaching Assistant at UMass

- Fall 2021 **Introduction to Phonetics**
Instructor: John Kingston

Guest Lectures

- Winter 2026 Katson, Aidan* and Knick, Emily*. Research methods in syntax and semantics. Guest lecture for Research Skills in Linguistics, University of California, Santa Cruz.

Mentorship

At UCSC

- 2025, 2026 **Panelist**, Humanities Graduate School 101, The Humanities Institute at UC Santa Cruz
- 2025 **Speaker**, Workshop on Applying to Graduate School in Linguistics
- 2024– **Fieldwork on Paraguayan Guaraní (ex-situ)**
◦ Research Assistant: Juan Pablo Calvo Huerta
- 2024– **Co-Founder**, Supporting Linguistics UnderGraduates (SLUG) Mentorship Program
◦ Organize the SLUG Mentorship Program, which provides undergraduates in Linguistics with guidance on (non-)academic career paths in preparation for their post-graduate career goals.

Honors & Awards

- 2025 **THI Summer Pathways Fellowship**, The Humanities Institute at UC Santa Cruz (\$5000)
◦ Project: Temporal meaning in Khalkha Mongolian
- 2023–2024 **Chancellor's Fellowship**, UC Santa Cruz

2023–2024 **Regents Fellowship, UC Santa Cruz**
2020–2023 **Departmental Honors in Linguistics, UMass Amherst**

Service

Conference Organization

2026 Formal Approaches to Slavic Linguistics (FASL) 35

Departmental Service at UCSC

2024–
2024 **Co-Coordinator**, Semantics, Pragmatics, and Language Philosophy (SPLAP!) Reading Group
Co-Coordinator, Speech and Sentence Processing Lab (s/lab)
2023–2025 **Member**, Linguistics Events Planning Committee

Departmental Service at UMass

2023 **Volunteer**, LSA Summer Institute
2021–2022 **Linguistics Student Ambassador**, UMass College of Humanities and Fine Arts
2021–2022 **Dean’s Advisory Board Representative**, UMass College of Humanities and Fine Arts

Non-Degree Education

2026 **Summer Mongolian Language Workshop**, Indiana University Bloomington
2023 **Linguistic Society of America Summer Institute**, UMass Amherst

Skills

Languages: English (native), Japanese (intermediate), Spanish (reading), Khalkha Mongolian (ex-situ fieldwork), Paraguayan Guaraní (ex-situ fieldwork)

Technical Skills: \LaTeX , MATLAB, PCIBex, Praat, PsychoPy, Python, R